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SUBJECT: COBALT

REF: (A) STATE 145925 (B) STATE 142837

1. ON BASIS OF REF (B), WE HAD ANOTHER DISCUSSION WITH GLADWELL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY ON COBALT SITUATION. GLADWELL HAD LITTLE ADDITIONAL TO ADD TO WHAT HAS BEEN ALREADY REPORTED OTHER THAN THAT THE COBALT SITUATION NOW SEEMS TO BE ASSIGNED A HIGHER PRIORITY AND UK IS UNDERTAKING A STUDY SIMILAR TO OUR OWN. GLADWELL AGAIN EXPRESSED INTEREST IN GSA DISPOSAL POLICY ASKING SPECIFICALLY:

(A) ARE THERE ANY EXPORT CONTROLS ON COBALT NOW OR CONTEMPLATED (I.E. GENERAL CONTROLS, NOT NECESSARILY LIMITED TO GSA)?

(B) IF GSA SALES ARE RESUMED, WOULD SUCH SALES BE RESTRICTED TO THE U.S., WOULD THEY BE DIRECTLY TO END USERS OR COULD THEY GO TO MERCHANTS?

(C) WOULD SUCH SALES BE AT THE PRODUCER OR FREE MARKET PRICE?

(D) WHAT IS THE PRODUCT TYPE COMPOSITION OF GSA HOLDINGS?

2. REF (A) WAS RECEIVED FOLLOWING CONSULTATION WITH LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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GLADWELL AND QUESTIONS POSED WERE PASSED TO DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY ON FRIDAY, JUNE 9. WE HOPE TO HAVE UK ASSESSMENT ON QUESTIONS POSED SHORTLY.

3. WOULD APPRECIATE FURTHER INFORMATION ON DISPOSALS THINKING WHICH MIGHT BE PASSED ON TO GLADWELL.

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